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EO 12958 DECL: 10/13/2019
TAGS PGOV, PINR, ECON, ENRG, TX
SUBJECT: TURKMENISTAN: FORMER DEPUTY CHAIRMAN FOR OIL AND
GAS TACHBERDI TAGIYEV ARRESTED
REF: ASHGABAT 0876

Classified By: Charge Sylvia Reed Curran for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

- [1](#). (C) Former Deputy Chairman for Oil and Gas Tachberdi Tagiyev was arrested in mid-September allegedly on suspicion of corruption, according
- [1](#)2. (C) Always also mentioned in the same breath as Tagiyev's arrest is a rumored internal investigation of Berdimuhamedov's son-in-law, Dovlet
- [1](#)3. (C) COMMENT: When Tagiyev was fired in July (reftel), the suspicion was that it was connected with the dispute with Gazprom. Someone had tc